Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Monday 07 Dec 2020 until 23:59 on Tuesday 08 Dec 2020

Forecast Issued on Monday 07 Dec 2020 at 03:20 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Medium, falling low from Wednesday.

Headline for Monday 07 Dec 2020: Daylight hours rather cloudy in east of area with some showers, snow on mountains, more sunshine in Skye and southwest. Then heavy snow and blizzards developing in evening with rain at lower levels, gales.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 07 Dec 2020

Blizzards
Medium Likelihood

Heavy Snow
Medium Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Medium Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Heavy snow
Precipitation probability					
20%	10%	20%	10%	20%	50%

Forecast for Monday 07 Dec 2020

Weather: Today will be cloudier in the east and north of the area with a few showers, of snow above 750m, but staying dry and sunny across Skye Wester Ross and Lochalsh. Conditions will deteriorate this evening with heavy and persistent rain, with snow above 500-600m, setting in this evening across the east, extending to Skye and the West Coast by midnight. Winds strengthening so blizzard conditions will readily develop.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80% during daylight hours in west and 40% in north and east then falling to near zero this evening.

Visibility: Mainly good in west by day, occasionally poor in showers in north and east then very poor to nil this evening.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	11/14 E	13/17 E	11/16 E	14/17 NE	20/24 N	30/38 N	40/51 N
900	12/15 E	13/18 E	12/16 E	13/16 NE	16/21 N	28/35 N	38/49 N
600	6/10 E	5/10 NE	7/12 E	7/10 NE	9/13 N	20/28 N	28/39 N
300	5/11 E	5/14 E	6/14 E	3/13 N	2/15 N	5/28 N	12/41 N
Glen	6/9 E	8/14 NE	6/13 NE	5/10 NE	6/14 N	10/25 N	18/39 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-1/-7	-2/-7	-2/-7	-2/-7	-2/-9	-2/-10	-2/-11
900	-1/-6	-1/-7	-1/-7	-1/-6	-2/-8	-1/-9	-1/-9
600	1/-2	0/-2	1/-3	1/-3	0/-4	1/-5	1/-6
300	1/-1	1/-1	2/-1	2/0	1/-0	2/0	3/-2
Glen	4/2	3/0	4/2	4/2	4/1	5/1	6/1
Freezing Level*	700m	700m	700m	600m	700m	800m	800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Nothing to add

Forecast for Tuesday 08 Dec 2020
Weather: Further rain snow and mountain blizzards overnight, snow initially around 600-700m but rising 800-900m. During the day mostly cloudy with further showers, these mainly of rain, but still snow above around 800-900m. With winds easing the blizzard risk decreases.

Maximum wind: Northerly 40 gusts 55mph in early hours easing northwesterly 25 gusts 35mph during the day though remaining a bit stronger over Skye

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10-20% through daylight hours with cloud down to 5-600m.

Visibility: Below the cloud, moderate, sometimes good in drier spells, occasionally poor in heavier rain and mountain snow.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 6 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 1 Celsius.
Freezing level: Varying 800-1000m

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